

# Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Dakota County Soil and Water Conservation District FY04 EQIP

**1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:**

Local resource concerns that EQIP can address in Dakota County include ground water quality (especially in the sand plains of the Hastings area). The Etter Creek watershed with its gully erosion and resulting high turbidity levels and sedimentation is emphasized. Met Council grant dollars are also targeted for remediation measures in this watershed which spans across Dakota and Goodhue Counties. All of the resources listed below under item 3 could be addressed with the 2004 EQIP. Various forms of soil erosion are again prioritized as high. See the weighting factors below

**2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:**

These areas include the N. Cannon River Watershed, the Vermillion River Watershed and the Etter Creek Watershed (Dakota County portion). These areas will be given extra points as stated below.

**3. Prioritize and weight each local resource concern for the district. Weight must be between 1 and 10:**

Factor	Resource Priority	Weight
A1. Erosion Control	1	10
A2 Gully Control	2	10
B1 Water Resource	3	10
B2 Wastewater/CNMP	7	5
C Habitat Improvement	6	5
D Air Quality	8	5
E Impaired Water	4	10
F Distance	9	5
G Grazing System	10	5
H Forest Mgt.	11	5
I. Additional Local*	5	10

\* If the additional local concern is scored, describe the concern here and how points will be scored. Include any geographic priorities.

Additional Local Concerns include the Etter Creek Watershed, Vermillion River Watershed and the N. Cannon River Watershed. Each project that is located within one of these watersheds will be given 6 additional points under factor "I".

**4. Attach the scoring worksheet as recommended for the district.**

**5. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document:**

None

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 04 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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Chair, Local Work Group

Date

**The meeting was attended by:**

Dwain Otte- SWCD; Carrie Bilotta-FSA; Brad Becker-SWCD; Rick Hansen-SWCD; John Crellin-NRCS; Al Singer-Dakota County Office of Planning; Todd Matzke-SWCD; Matt Schaar-NRCS; John Day-FSA County Committee; Amy Nielsen-FSA County Committee; Kurt Chatfield- Dakota County Office of Planning.

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